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E. C. JOHNSON RESIGNS FROM F.C.A.

E. C. Johnson, Chief of the Economic and Credit Research Division, resigned on September 1 to accept a position in the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture. In his new work, Dr. Johnson will serve as a representative of the Secretary in connection with the administration of the Department's land use program with special emphasis in the problem of curbing the land boom.

Dr. Johnson takes to the Secretary's Office a wealth of training and experience for the work to which he has been assigned. He was graduated from the University of Minnesota, and was an instructor and professor at the Universities of Minnesota and Kentucky until 1933 when he became vice president of the Production Credit Corporation of St. Paul. After 2 years he returned to the University, and then in 1937 became Chief of the Economics Subdivision of the Division of Finance and Research which later became the Economic and Credit Research Division. In this capacity he has served under four Governors of the Farm Credit Administration.



Editorial Staff

Upon receipt of special Farm Credit Club membership of 50¢, the Grapevine will be mailed for 1 year to former employees of the FCA.

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To conserve the Grapevine paper stock, please place your copies of the Grapevine in your out-box after you have finished reading it. Two hundred copies are needed for mailing to FCA men and women in the service.

SHOP AND MAIL EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS

Instructions for mailing Christmas parcels to members of our armed forces overseas are posted on the bulletin boards in the Mail Room and in the Fourteenth Street Lobby. Also, Mrs. Thomas may be called in the Mail Room and will answer any questions pertinent to Christmas mailing.

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Worry is interest paid on trouble before it becomes due.

FCA SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN



New FCA Employee to Service:

Vencil T. Ward

TOTAL 223

News From Field And Camp



LETTERS FROM OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE

Cpl. Gertrude S. Grove (A701236 WAC Det., Hq. & Hq. Sq., USSTAF, APO #633, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.) I was very glad to be sent to England, as this country has always interested me.

We work 6 days a week, every other Sunday, and when we work on Sunday we get a day off during the week. I have seen London several times, Windsor and Eton, and on this week's pass I went to Stratford-on-Avon. I enjoyed Stratford so much. It is so peaceful and quiet, in addition to its quaintness. My friend and I were walking out toward the Hathaway cottage when we passed by a thatched-roof cottage where a lady was

out in the yard working in the flowers. We asked her the direction, which led to our telling her how pretty her place was, so she invited us in to go thru the house. It was filled with lovely antiques and everything exactly right.

I have enjoyed London, too, but it is rather depressing to see so many buildings in ruins.

Marie Hanawalt (WAC Det., ATC, Rosecrans Field, St. Joseph, Mo.) I like my work just fine and have a grand bunch to work with, five other WACs, eight Civil Service girls and seven enlisted men. We check pilots in and out. The PX forgets there are WACs on the post so we are going to St. Joe to shop.

Pfc. Stanley O'Donnell (Co. D., 804 M.P. Bn., Ft. Devens, Mass.) Am now on POW duty and have been around Alabama, Michigan, and North Carolina. Give my regards to all the gang.

Ens. A. E. Weatherbee (SC, USNR, Navy 915, c/o Fleet Post Office, New York, N. Y.) I am in merry old England and am personally hoping to stay in this theatre until they get ready to send me back to the States for keeps. My present assignment is as Disbursing Officer of our outfit.

England is a beautiful country - something like some sections of Maine, Connecticut, and Pennsylvania. We had a very pleasant and uneventful trip across and saw quite a bit of the Isles on the way here. The English countryside

is what you would expect it would have to be to inspire poets. The cities are almost exclusively of stone and brick construction, in fact so are nearly all the homes and buildings throughout the country. The people seem friendly enough. Evidences of bombings are plentiful and sobering. We toured a nearby city about half the size of Kansas City and it is not easy to forget such things as we saw. Am presently located in a very small town which boasts buildings dating back to the 13th and 14th centuries.

Have visited the city in which Sir Francis Drake was mayor in 1581 and from which he sailed in 1588 to meet the Spanish Armada.

NEW SERVICE ADDRESSES

(Change your directory, or add to it)

Cpl. Gertrude S. Grove A-701236, WAC Det. Hq. & Hq. Sq., USSTAF APO 633 c/o PM New York, New York	Pvt. Robert B. Letchworth 37533774, Btry "C" 142nd A.A.A. Gun. Bn. (M.B.1) APO 5675 c/o PM New York, New York
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KEEP ON BUYING WAR BONDS

Strictly Personal



Central Office Accounting. Girls of the section entertained Maxine McLeish with a dinner at the Green Parrot Inn before she parted from FCA on August 19 for a rest of several months...Ann Tonnar spent the holiday week end at her home in Carrolton, Mo....Mary Rossman is an Ozark vacationist...New members, LaVonne Perry and Mary Margaret Donnelly are welcomed to Pay Roll Unit...Martha Waltera Ross has returned to her desk fully recovered from a recent operation...Lorraine Morava is traveling in the hills of Pennsylvania with stops in Philadelphia and Waynesboro...The breezes of Atlantic City will blow on Cecelia DiCanzio and small son for the next 2 weeks...Sarah Schneider journeyed to Fort Sill, Okla., to visit her brother, Cpl. Harry Schneider...Mildred Hamilton is "furloughing" with her sergeant husband, Ralph, of Camp Pinedale, Calif., in Mayfield, Ky...Vacationist Helen Thorpe sends cards from Chicago, the first stop in an itinerary that will take her on to Detroit and into Canada...Oklahoma has Helen Goff as a visitor...Clarice Andrews was at home for a day with a sprained ankle which is rapidly healing.

Chief of Administrative Division's Office. Mary Kindred writes from Iowa that she is enjoying a 7 weeks' stay

in the "tall corn" State.

Chief Clerk's Office. Alverta Marston spent Labor Day week end with relatives and friends in Junction City, Kans.

Cooperative. S. D. Sanders announces the arrival of a new granddaughter on August 23...It's "so long" to Jimmy Childs as he leaves to accept the position of treasurer of the Columbia Bank for Cooperatives...Harold Hedges and Dr. Joseph Knapp, of CR&S in Washington, were visitors in the division...Ellis Batten's niece, en route to San Francisco, was a 3-day guest of his...Virginia Hibbs is "loafing" at home for 2 weeks.

Economic & Credit Research. Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Johnson and daughter, Lois, were guests of honor at a farewell party given by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Battles. A parting gift of the division to Dr. Johnson, who leaves to accept a position in the office of the Secretary of Agriculture, was a brief case.

Emergency Crop & Feed Loan. Eloise Moss is spending 2 weeks with her mother in Sioux City, Iowa...W. L. Pepperman has returned from an extended Eastern trip.

Examination. An interesting letter arriving from WAC Emma Ree Hubbs tells us she is having the time of her life in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia...Harold Pyles, en route from the Baltimore resident examiner's office to Kansas and Colorado on a vacation, dropped in to say hello...Kay McCarthy is vacationing at her home in Kansas City and

nearby points...Salt Lake City, via the scenic Royal Gorge, is the vacation destination of Mary Nolz. We hear from a reliable source that Karnes, Utah, is likewise on her itinerary - and for a particular reason...Lois Klapp, a former member of the division, greeted friends by phone from the Union Station during a stopover on the way to her home in Kansas...Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Shields are eastward bound for a first glimpse of Tennessee since their move with FCA in 1942.

Finance & Accounts. Olga Markham is vacationing in South Dakota...Opal Adams Clark resigned to join her husband who is stationed in Warrensburg, Mo....Alma Franklin left for a visit in Hutchinson, Kans....Fred Ganley is "vacationing" at home - painting his house...Charles Kraus is spending several days in Topeka ...Dot Baucke is relaxing at home in Kansas City on a vacation.

General Files. Laura Miller has returned to work with pleasant memories of a Colorado vacation...Mildred Schmeltz, who parts from FCA to complete a college course at St. Mary's in Leavenworth, Kans., was honored at an informal party during an office rest period...Julia Connor spent a short holiday with relatives in Columbia, Mo.

Governor's Office. Margaret Gillespie is vacationing "deep in the heart of Texas"...Tasty sweet potatoes brought to office members were proof of the farming ability of J. M. Selby...Dorothy Dyhrberg has returned refreshed from a

a few days' visit in Omaha...Members of the office presented Leanoire Haslup a pair of gold earrings upon her embarkation on a life in D. C....Betty Higgins on detail from Mail Section speeds our inter-office mail service...A week end was spent by Mary Lou Vance at her fiance's home in Ottumwa, Iowa...The latest report from Lucille Cramer is that no casualties have been suffered because of the uncontrollable doors of her car which open at the turn of every corner.

Graphic. Dorothy Palmer's heartthrob, 2yc Petty Officer Elgin Thelen, arrived from Atlantic City on a furlough, and Dorothy will take up where the girls in Atlantic City left off...Members of the section feel once more in the swing of things with the change back to regular hours of duty on September 1.

Information & Extension. Inez Barber and her sister, Janice Rist, week ended at their home in Humboldt, Nebr....If any FCA gentlemen should get caught without protection on a rainy noonday, we suggest they contact E. B. Reid who recently was able to provide a raincoat each for three friends with one to spare for himself!

Intermediate Credit. Jewell Hill departed for a week's visit with her aunt and sister in Colorado Springs and Denver.

Mortgage Corporation Service. Cpl. John Nichols of Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., dropped in for a visit.

Personnel. Betty Taylor and her roommate week ended with friends in Sedalia, Mo....Phyllis Windrum bids goodbye to FCA to continue her education at Missouri University in Columbia...Julia Norton is making plans to travel to Canton, Ill., to have a look at her new grandson...Headed for a visit in Omaha are Jo Gerdes and former FCA'er Mildred Lindbloom...John Francis and Milton Hoberecht week ended on one of those innumerable fishing trips with the same results - BIG stories but LITTLE fish... A week end guest of Corrine Matter was her mother who arrived from Topeka... Virginia Lee and her husband journeyed to Lamar, Mo., to visit relatives... Soft-voiced Mary Frances Sandoval parted from FCA on August 26 to begin a 2 months' course at the Pan American school.

Production Credit. Girls of the division honored Mae Reed on August 26, the day she resigned to take up housekeeping, with an office luncheon in picnic fashion and presented her a pair of hurricane lamps...Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Arnold's lieutenant son, Bob, returned to Camp Hood, Tex., after spending 15 days' leave at home...Mary Hague has been exhibiting her cooking ability for relatives who have been house guests... Flowers beautify the desks in the division through the efforts and thoughtfulness of Mr. and Mrs. Art Esgate... We note that Emma Lou Peake is a regular visitor to the post office to mail her favorite serviceman an overseas' box... Vic Basart is "confined" to his desk

with heavy work in making preparations for the conference of PCC secretaries beginning September 12.

Purchase. A guest of Flo Elfert was her niece who was en route from Chicago to Oklahoma...R. L. Crim has returned from a 2 weeks' vacation in Washington and Virginia.

Regional Agricultural Credit. Fred Wallace is the proud grandfather of a baby girl born on August 30.

Revolving Fund. Carolyn Portmann is taking leave to enjoy a reunion with her husband who arrives from Tonopah, Nev....Robert MacWilliams is vacationing for 2 weeks.

Solicitor's Office. L. J. Gardner and family are vacationing at Mrs. Gardner's home in Dubuque, Iowa...Karine Barstad rested for a few days at home...A week's visit with her family in Newell, Iowa, was enjoyed by Ethel Hoemann...Abe Goldman is recovering nicely from an operation in Menorah Hospital...Sallie Bryant relaxed on a short vacation over the Labor Day week end at home.

Stenographic. Marjorie Freel is vacationing with friends in LaFayette, Ind., and Chicago...Maurine Hargett parted from FCA to become a California resident...A week end was spent by Eleanor Mitchell in St. Joe, Mo....Lula Tavenner announces the marriage of her daughter, Mary Louise, to Gunner's Mate 1/c Robert Shaw, at the Second Presbyterian Church in Alexandria, Va., on July 22...Lucille Adams is welcomed to FCA and our section

...Gertrude Gerstner spent a week end in Chicago.

Tabulating. Elisa Sandoval has received word from her home in Santa Fe that her two brothers, one of the Army and the other of the Navy, have returned from overseas' duty on furloughs...Carroll Thomson, who is the fiancee of Marine Frank Nelson from Mail Section, is welcomed to our group...An interesting letter received from William Wright, with the Army in Italy, greets former co-workers and tells of the beauty of the the country he is in.

Telephone. It looked as though the Army had taken over the section on a recent workday when Irene Ellefson's soldier brother, en route to his base in Texas, was a visitor and Kitty Donnelly introduced a Washington friend who was also en route to Texas...Charlotte Toomey is holidaying in Iowa.

Vise. Dorothy Dick journeyed to her home town of Palmyra, Mo., for a short holiday.

OUR WASHINGTON REPORTER

Your Washington Reporter submits this from a "wandering reporter:" Met Faye Hanley, formerly chief of the stenographic pool, now of the Waves, on the train returning from Indianapolis to Washington where she had spent a few days with the number one man in her life while he was on his last furlough before taking off for overseas duty. She is in the Bureau of Ships as assistant to

the assistant to the Admiral...Dick Kaufmann was busily engaged in Washington hunting elusive FCA property. (Ask him how many rugs he located!) Corbin Dorsey, formerly I&E, is in France and has just been assigned to a combat team as "historian" - a throw back to his professorial days when he researched and taught history...Val Sherman leaves the I&E Division in Washington on September 15, but stays in the co-op field and Washington as Director of Public Relations for the National Cooperative Milk Producers' Federation. Good luck Val!

Carol Tolbert, former boss of the I&E Files for 8 years, now with the Maritime Commission, had an emergency operation and several blood transfusions this spring, but after 2 months at home is back on the job and feeling her old self again...Kay Fuhs, formerly I&E, has left the Government service, but remains in Washington. Dan Messer, formerly F&A, now in Uncle Sam's Army, has a broken wrist, but looks fit as a fiddle otherwise. Solicitor "Mark" Anthony appeared in the Washington office...Pauline Davis, formerly of I&E, now in Lima, Peru, with her husband who is an Army engineer, has a new son...Our Ralph Drumheller of the U. S. Navy and many exciting sea adventures was in Washington recently...Alexus Murphy and Lee Van Volkenburgh were blood donors again this past week...CR&S welcomes Mary E. Sutherland who comes to us from the South - school principal no less.

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And from another reporter in Washington we hear:

A card was received from the THREE MUSKETEERS (Dot Peffer, Mary Epps, Ruth Mitchell) on vacation: "We report, outside of moving twice (just to keep in trim), lost key, mild case of sunburn, over-eating and sleeping, too much gin rummy, and no eczema, athlete's foot or poison ivy, everything is "hunky-dory."

George Hudson, Director General of Agriculture of Iran, who was in the Information & Extension Division of the FCA for several years and later represented the Secretary of Agriculture's office at Wenatchee, Wash., has this to say about inflation in the country where he is now serving: "If Henry Ford is going to bring out a \$500 post-war car as some people say, he ought to ship a few over here. An unused 1942-model American car here now sells for \$30,000 or more. A good tire sells for \$1,800. If the American population gripes about inflation, they should pay \$2.50 a pound for sugar; \$10 to \$15 a yard for cloth; \$30 for shirts; \$50 for shoes, etc., like people do here in the black market for such things."

ADVENTURES IN READING

Do you glance over the last page of Saturday evening's Kansas City Star and think, "Now that's a book I'd like to read?" Or perhaps, you check down the list of the "best sellers" and feel you SHOULD read one or more of them.

Come down to the Clubroom and you will find these books already here for you to read. Because of the library committee's judgment in buying, the FCA'er may read the currently popular publications as they come off the press. When a book is particularly "popular," two and three copies are purchased in order to cut down the waiting list.

Most people like to keep up with what the public is reading, and the Club library affords easy access to the latest in fiction and nonfiction. Besides the new books that come in the FCA library at approximately 15 a month, there are about 300 books on the shelves, including travel, poetry, cook books, biographies, classics, novels, adventures, mysteries, and plays. The Club library makes no charge for the first 3 days, and only 2 cents each day thereafter. Even the public library, with all its free books, has a 10-cent minimum rental charge on the new up-to-the-minute issues.

Since our time is limited, an increasing number of readers turn to the mystery book which is by far the most popular reading in the modern-day library. But there are many other books in the library that won't take much time to read. "The White Cliffs of Dover," a narrative poem, and "Oklahoma," in play form, afford much pleasure for the short time it takes to read them. There are humorous books, beautiful love stories, books that tell actual facts of world happenings, technical books, and the

unending, bottomless shelves of "who-done-it" mysteries.

Some readers will "borrow" a book for its colorful jacket or intriguing title. These may prove disappointing, but our librarian is able to help us pick out exactly the kind of book we want.

Those of us who are "chain-readers" and get the books before they are much more than in the front door, feel a big hand should be given the FCA Club Library for this really pleasurable and worthwhile function. From the readers of the thousand-page nonfiction masterpiece to those of the leading magazines, we are deeply grateful for the privilege of this friendly and helpful service. (IB)

CLASSICS ON LIBRARY SHELVES

The Columbia (N.Y.) College Honors Reading Course, published some years ago as "Classics of the Western World," contains 10 works of fiction, all of which Club members will find on the shelves of the Farm Credit Club's circulating library. So, why confine your reading to the latest best seller when you may borrow for little or nothing the following classics: Balzac, Vanity Fair, and Henry Esmond by Thackeray, David Copperfield and Pickwick Papers by Dickens, Crime and Punishment by Dostoevsky, War and Peace by Tolstoy, and The Return of the Native by Hardy.

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BACK THE ATTACK BY BUYING BONDS

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES AT REDUCED PRICES

Members of the Farm Credit Club are reminded that they may obtain books and magazines at a discount through the Club library. Most current fiction and nonfiction books carry a discount of 25 percent, but the discount on technical books amounts usually to only 10 percent. Discounts on magazines vary according to the number of magazines subscribed for at one time and the number of years covered by the subscriptions.

NEW BOOKS IN CLUB LIBRARY

The Farm Credit Club Library has recently received the following new books:

Ride With Me - Thomas R. Costain
Freedom Road - Howard Fast
Clues to Christabel - Mary Fritt
Green Dolphin Street - Elizabeth Goudge
Time Must Have a Stop - Aldous Huxley
Wild Horse Shorty - Nelson C. Nye
Cluny Brown - Margery Sharp
Pastoral - Nevil Shute
So Thick the Fog - Catherine P. Stewart
War and Peace - Leo Tolstoy
Invasion Diary - Richard Tregaskis
Blood Upon the Snow - Hilda Lawrence
Being Met Together - Vaughan Wilkins

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Mountain Guide: "Be careful not to fall here. It's dangerous. But, if you do fall, remember to look to the left, you get a wonderful view."

OPERA TO BE FEATURED AT NEXT RECORD CONCERT

By special request the noon-hour concert of recorded music on Wednesday will feature concerted numbers from operas, including duets, trios, quartets, and sextets. Among the operas represented will be: Aida, Don Giovanni, Faust, La Boheme, Lucia de Lammermoor, Madame Butterfly, Rigoletto, Tales of Hoffman, and Tristan and Isolde. The singers will include: Bori, Caruso, de Luca, Flagstaff, Galli Curci, Gigli, Homer, Martinelli, Melchior, Pinza, Ponzelle, and Scotti. Remember the time and place: September 13 from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m., in room 1345E.

NEW DRESS FOR CLUBROOM

The Social Committee will soon have new covers for the Clubroom card tables as well as new floral decorations and other equipment. It is only fitting that everyone who enjoys the privileges of the Clubroom should also share some of the responsibilities. (The librarian is not a committee of one assigned to maintain order and cleanliness in the Clubroom.) You can do your part by returning books and magazines to their proper places on tables and shelves and empty bottles in the cases provided for them.

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Student: "To whom was Minerva married?"
Professor: "My boy, when will you learn that Minerva was the Goddess of Wisdom? She wasn't married."

"WAGS" ELECT OFFICERS

The Women's Speaking and Discussion Group of the Farm Credit Club elected the following officers at their dinner-meeting held Friday, September 1, at the Advertising Club of Kansas City: Mrs. Catherine Champe, President; Hester Waters, Vice-President; Pearl Ferguson, Secretary-Treasurer, to succeed Mrs. Louise Pressgrove, Marie Puhr, and Roberta Hendee. Mrs. Anna Messinger and Mrs. Josephine Caruso were welcomed into the club as new members. Miss Kitty Vance Wilson, niece of Hester Waters, and Mrs. Lora M. Hendee, mother of Roberta Hendee, attended as guests.

LAST SUNDAY BREAKFAST DRAWS RECORD CROWD

The last Sunday breakfast of the summer season at Loose Park on September 3 drew a record crowd of 39, including the Amos Russell's and their two sons, aged 2½ years and 9 months, who entertained the early comers with their antics. By the time the cooks arrived, John Kennedy had two fires burning brightly and Paul Rapp had wiped the dew from benches and tables. A lusty cheer greeted Marie Puhr and Hoyt Elkins when they arrived with a carload of cantaloupes, eggs, bacon, potatoes, rolls, coffee cake, marmalade, and jelly, not to mention skilletts and a giant coffee pot. Soon Deane Ruth had crisp bacon sputtering in three skilletts on one fireplace and Camille Humbrecht monopolized the other

fireplace with three skillets of home-fried potatoes, even though smoke did get in her eyes. As fast as Mary Feeley broke eggs in a big bowl with the help of Gerry Williams, Carrie Meador poured them into the skillets released by Deane Ruth and produced perfect scrambled eggs. Verna Brewer lived up to her name by "brewing" the best coffee of the season.

Newcomers to the Sunday breakfast included Bill Moore, Alice Snuffer, Landon and Margaret Porter, Dorothy Dyhrberg, Margaret Olsen, Louise Pressgrove, Ben Russell, Rosalie Mountjoy, Pat Ross, and Jessie Maxwell.

When roll was called, not a single registrant failed to answer his or her name, although Agnes Nemanich arrived just in time to prevent Ben Russell from finishing her share of scrambled eggs.

Fortunately no dishes had to be washed after breakfast. So, after burning up their plates and cups, the more active members of the gang scattered to bowl, play tennis or golf, and the less ambitious ones basked in the warm sun, fed the hungry ducks, or strolled through the rose garden.

Members of the hiking committee for the coming season are Hoyt Elkins, chairman, Verna Brewer, Marie Puhr, Pat Ross, and Paul Rapp. Any suggestions for new hikes or other activities should be sent to the chairman in room A-303.

HAT'S OFF

If applause is a gauge for success, the Women's Choral Group certainly did succeed at the noon-hour Wednesday, August 30.

The liquid melody of "On Wings of Song" so enthralled the audience that after the song was finished there was an interval of quiet before the enthusiastic clapping and comments began. "When Day Is Done" was equally well received.

It's too bad that Mildred Schmeltz has taken her lovely voice with her to St. Mary's College. She gave us a last treat in her duet with Waverly Haynes. Her part as Sarah in "I'll See You Again" from "Bittersweet" was sung superlatively. Waverly as Carl gave her usual finished performance.

It's a promise that Mildred will be back here during the Christmas holidays to sing "O Holy Night." The group is practicing the accompaniment.

Additional evidence of talent in the group was Mary Jane Sullivan's solo, "Moon Glow."

Margaret Porter, the regular accompanist, was back at the piano.

The group has been invited to sing before the American Legion, Monday evening, September 11.

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KEEP ON BUYING WAR BONDS

Shuffling through souvenirs of World War I, one of our contributors uncovered the following verse which had received wide circulation in France at that time, and may be popular even now:

LATEST WAR NEWS

Definite war news have I none,
But my aunt's washerwoman's sister's son
Heard a policeman on his beat
Say to a laborer on the street
That he had a letter just last week,
Written in either Latin or Greek,
From a Chinese coolie from Timbuctoo,
Who said a native of Cuba knew
Of a colored man in a Texas town;
Who got it straight from a circus clown,
That a man in the Klondike heard the
news

From a gang of South American Jews
About somebody in Borneo,
Who heard a man who claimed to know
Of a chap whose daughter is very bright
Who promised an editor she would write
To prove that her husband's brother's
niece

Had stated in a printed piece
That she has a son who has a friend
Who knows when this war is going to end -
? ? ? ? ?
But he won't tell!

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The committee in charge of mailing Christmas boxes to our own servicemen and women invites you to contribute recent copies of the Reader's Digest and Coronet magazine for inclusion in the parcels going overseas. Magazines

for this purpose should be sent to Helen Bailey, Room 2116.

Just received:

With thanks and appreciation for the GRAPEVINE, Margaret Frew, Y3c, Barracks A, Great Lakes, Ill., writes - I want to congratulate you on the improved quality of the GRAPEVINE. I guess you might say the grapes are juicier. Anyway, I like it...I enjoy reading the letters from the servicemen, although I don't have much in common with most of them. Outside of being in uniform and living on a Naval Station subject to regimentation, my job isn't any different from those done by civilians here on the station, except I can't resign...This is a beautiful station, plenty of trees and green grass. The recreational facilities on the station proper are rather limited, but with Chicago and Milwaukee so near there are plenty of places for outside entertainment.

On Parade

Mary Nolz, Violet Hardin, Dorothy Owens, Delta Vaughn, and Alma Franklin of the Red Cross Motor Corps invite all Farm Credit employees and their friends to Loose Park Sunday afternoon, September 10, at 4 p.m., to see what they do in the service of the Red Cross Motor Corps. There in parade review will be the various motor vehicles that are used by the Corps - in addition some members will exhibit emergency first aid, and others will serve donuts and coffee from the mobile canteen unit.



Sportlight

FCA MEN'S SOFTBALL

August 24: The FCA forces suffered a major defeat on the softball field in an unsuccessful attempt to ward off the attacking U. S. Engineers. The attackers broke through the FCA lines in the fifth inning to bring in a total of 4 scores after four previous attempts had failed. It was a hard-fought battle from beginning to end, the final score being 4 to 1 in favor of the Engineers with Yorkdale getting the only run for the FCA gang. In the first four innings only 13 of the attacking Engineers and 12 of the defending FCA gang took their turns at bat. In the fifth the Engineers started a rally and, with 9 men taking their turns at batting, amassed a total of 4 runs. The only run for FCA came in the seventh when Yorkdale, after knocking one deep into right field for a "two-bagger," stole third and on another play stole home. Beauchamp had five strike-outs to his credit while the opposing pitcher had only two. Two more games will complete the schedule and we are looking forward to two wins for a successful completion of the season.

August 31: In a come-back after the defeat of last week, the FCA boys again got on the winning side of the score

sheet by defeating Labor 9 to 1. Every member of the team played a very good game, having no errors and allowing the opponents only 3 hits. Pitcher Beauchamp had 6 strike-outs to his credit while the opposing pitcher had 7. Beauchamp allowed only 3 walks against the opposing pitcher's 4. Eufinger was the outstanding hitter of the evening, getting 2 "doubles" and one "triple" in 3 times at bat, Morrison falling next in line with 2 hits in 3 times at bat. One more game remains to be played this season with the Federal Court House gang as opponents. The FCA boys now have 8 wins to their credit against 4 losses.

September 5: The FCA Men's softball team wound up the season by winning from Federal Court House 12 to 4. Beauchamp chalked up 6 strike-outs while the opposing pitcher had none. Drescher and Murphy led the hitting, getting 3 hits each in 4 times at bat, followed by Eufinger who got 2 hits in 4 times at bat. All other members of the team chalked up one hit each during the game, no one failing to get a hit. This was the last game on the schedule and leaves the FCA team with 9 wins to their credit against 4 losses.

FCA Men's Softball Batting Averages

Player	Games Played	Times at Bat	Hits	Average
Morrison	10	34	21	.618
Drescher	11	40	22	.550
Eufinger	11	37	18	.486
Beauchamp	11	34	16	.471
Reeker	8	25	11	.440
Hein	9	24	9	.375
Peterman	10	30	11	.367
Murphy	10	33	10	.303
Yorkdale	9	27	8	.296
Smith	8	23	6	.261

FCA GIRLS' SOFTBALL

August 31: Porter's Flycatchers won the FCA girls' softball championship from the Y. Meuers' Tigers, by taking 5 of the 8 game series. The Tigers were greatly handicapped in the 2 final games, since their Star Pitcher, Y. Meuers, was on leave. In the final game, Nilson, pitcher for the Flycatchers, allowed only 7 hits, which resulted in 2 runs scored by E. Hague and E. Muller for the Tigers. The Flycatchers scored 16 runs off the pitching of Mary Harris. The Tiger team deserves much credit for their good sportsmanship, as we understand they are planning a "DUCK" dinner for the winners. Since Y. Meuers was unable to pilfer enough chickens from her Minnesota farm, E. Hague and M. Feeley are requesting that all FCA employees feed the ducks at Loose Park during the next 2 weeks.

MEN'S GOLF

The championship of Flight B was practically clinched by the Moore-Snow combination last Sunday when this two-some administered a 6-0 drubbing to the Howard-Light morning glories. The beef-trusters just couldn't stand prosperity. Other matches resulted in 6-0 wins for Armacost-Cleveland over Smith-Warburton and Kraus-Holmes over Van Sant-Wallace. Due to the inclement weather the tournament has been extended to September 17, and it is hoped that all matches will be played by that date so as not to delay the start of the Fall Medal-Play Tournament.

HAGUE WINS WOMEN'S GOLF TROPHY

Eileen Hague defeated Sylvia Mehaffy 1 up in the final game of the FCA women's match play golf tournament and will be the proud possessor of the trophy given by the Farm Credit Club for this feat. Hague was 3 up at the end of the 14th hole. On a spectacular scoring spree, Mehaffy took the 15th hole, tied the 16th and won the 17th and 18th to tie the score at the end of the 18th hole. In playing No. 1 again, Mehaffy, getting off to a bad start, ended up with a net 7, while Hague scored a net 5, ending with a victory for Hague. The game was close all the way in spite of the fact that neither golfer displayed her usual brand of golf. In the consolation match between Louise Morgan and Helen McCabe, Morgan came thru on the last 5 holes to win 2 up after McCabe led 2 points at the 13th hole. The McCollom-Moss match was stopped at the 15th hole because of rain. When this game is completed, the winner will play Morgan for the consolation tournament prize.

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Tuesday Luncheon Movies
12:15 and 1:00 P.M.
September 12

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